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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No.: 9051.37

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:		)	
	Lynn Y. Shimada	)	
Serial No.:	09/345,820	)	Art Unit
		)	3624
Filed:	June 30, 1999	)	
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For:	METHOD AND SOFTWARE ARTICLE FOR	)	
	SELECTING ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF	)	
	VENDORS IN AN AUTOMATED PAYMENT	)	
	ENVIRONMENT	)	
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Examiner:	Alain L. Bashore	)	

AMENDMENT

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 3, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. 9051.37	
Applicant(s): Lynn Y. Shimada					
Application No. 09/345,820	Filing Date 06/30/99	Examiner Alain L. Bashore	Customer No. 21999	Group Art Unit 3624	Confirmation No. 1703
Invention: METHOD AND SOFTWARE ARTICLE FOR SELECTING ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF VENDORS IN AN AUTOMATED PAYMENT ENVIRONMENT					

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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